



Faith Courage Love

Faith to move forward in confidence and succeed.
Courage to make a difference in the world every day.
Love one another as God loves us.

Parent Newsletter 25.11.2022

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Dear parent / carer

After a very soggy week, we hope that the weather will improve at the weekend! In the meantime, we hope our news may bring a little sunshine to your day!

News from Rev Karen

We would like to invite all pupils and parents to a special service at St Mary's Church, Roecliffe on Sunday 4th December at 10am to celebrate St Nicholas, the Patron Saint of children (who was the first Father Christmas). Everyone will receive a small stocking and, as is traditional, the service will be run mostly by the children! If your child is interested in taking part by reading, writing a prayer, performing something musical or even taking the part of our child Bishop for the day, please let me know on karen.gardiner@leeds.anglican.org. Looking forward to seeing many of you there. Warmest wishes, Rev Karen.

Please also read the attachment to this newsletter about St James's church 'Warm Space' events.

Teaching Assistant vacancy at Roecliffe

Mrs Scholes will be leaving her post as Teaching Assistant/ Higher Level Teaching Assistant in Class 3 at Christmas. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Scholes for her hard work and commitment to her role across our school and to wish her the very best for her new appointment in the new year.

Our school, therefore, currently has a Teaching Assistant vacancy and this appointment starts in January 2023. Working hours are 8.30am - 3.30pm three days a week with our KS2 children. If you know of a suitable candidate for this position at our wonderful school, please contact Vicky Harris in the office (office@roecliffeschool.co.uk)

Christmas Tree Festival

Roecliffe children are making a World Cup Christmas Tree for the Christmas Tree Festival which will be held at St James's Church, Boroughbridge on the 3rd and 4th December. Why don't you pop along to see our tree?

Well done Roecliffe and thank you!

Thank you to all our families for supporting the British Legion by buying poppies and remembrance items. Our school raised a fantastic £147. 91!

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

We are delighted at the number of shoe boxes full of donations and gifts which our pupils have filled ready for collection by Rotary International.

Over the last four years Roecliffe school and Boroughbridge Scouts have delivered over 200 boxes and these go to children and families in Eastern Europe who have very little. In past years these have included Ukraine, Romania, Moldova and Albania but many this year will be going to Ukrainians who have been displaced into Romania and Moldova.

Well done and many thanks, Roecliffe families, for providing happiness to children who are less fortunate than ourselves.

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/christmas-shoebox-appeal-2/>

New Chair of our Governing Body

When the school became an academy on 1st October, the school's Governing Body became a 'Local Academy Council'.

Roecliffe's Local Academy Council met this week for the first time and Stephen Jarvis stood down as Chair after an incredible fourteen years!

We are very grateful to Stephen for his dedication and commitment to the role of Chair of the Governing Body at Roecliffe and we look forward to continuing to work with Stephen as a governor in the future.

We welcome Nick Baird as the new Chair and Nick looks forward to meeting Roecliffe parents at events in the near future.

Taylor Wimpey Speed Sign Poster Competition

All Roecliffe children have been invited to design and make a poster which will be installed on Taylor Wimpey's new development at Aldborough Gate, Boroughbridge. Your child's poster should encourage drivers to slow down and Taylor Wimpey will select the winning sign. A £50 Amazon voucher is up for grabs for the winning pupil, and Taylor Wimpey will also donate £250 to the school.

Entry forms for children's designs were given out yesterday and should be returned to school by Monday 28th November.

Please remember the following:

- Your design will need to be drawn in portrait
- Use lots of colour

Strive for Five poster competition results!

Our Wellbeing Ambassadors - Betsy, Will M, MiLosz and Isla - have led a poster competition across our school. Roecliffe children were invited to design and create a poster which promotes eating at least five portions of fruit and/or vegetable each day. This poster competition was launched as part of our 'Strive for Five' initiative this term.

One of our school's key priorities this year is to support our pupils' understanding of how to maintain good health and positive mental health and wellbeing.

Thank you to all the children who entered a poster into our competition - it was very difficult to choose the winning entries as there were so many talented pieces of work!

Our Wellbeing Ambassadors are delighted announce the following -

KS1 winner - Michalina

KS1 runner up - Layla, KS1 runner up - Sophia

KS2 winner - Kyra

KS2 runner up - Max, KS2 runner up - Lucy

Special prize for creativity - Orla and Rose

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/strive-for-five-poster-competition-results/>

Green Fingers at Roecliffe!

Our class planters are requiring a little TLC and we are busy planting winter pansies and primulas in them ready for some winter and spring colour! Many thanks to FORCES for providing the funds for our changeover of plants this month.

Many of our children enjoy gardening with their friends and staff members, and by spending time in the fresh air with nature, it supports our wellbeing!

<https://roecliffe.n-yorks.sch.uk/green-fingers-at-roecliffe/>

FORCES News

ELFRIDGES

A big thank you to all the children who visited our Elfridges shop on Tuesday to buy gifts for their loved ones. In total 152 presents were purchased to a value of £380 which is amazing!

We hope you enjoy your presents when you eventually receive them!

CHRISTMAS FAIR

FORCES HQ is busy, busy with plans for the upcoming Christmas Fair but WE NEED YOUR HELP !!!!

Please see the attachment for further information.

Thank you
F.O R.C.E.S

Winning house this week

Congratulations to West for achieving the most house points this week!!

Positive Learning Behaviours (PLB) Awards

Congratulations to these superstar children who have been awarded the PLB award this week. Our PLB which we are focussing on this half-term is 'I am independent and responsible'.

Class 1 - Evelyn O

Class 2 - Fabian

Class 3 - Toby

We hope that you and your families have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Briggs

Diary Dates

Friday 2nd December	Christmas Fair - FORCES
Thursday 8th Dec	Class 1 Nativity (school hall) 2:30pm
Friday 9th Dec	Class 1 Nativity (school hall) 2:30pm
Thursday 15th Dec 2pm	Christmas Service at St Mary's Church (parents welcome)

Future Dates for 2023

Friday 3rd Feb	Young Voices at Sheffield Arena (parents can attend)
Friday 31st March 9:15am	Easter Service at St Mary's Church (parents welcome)
Monday 8th May - Thursday 11th May	Year 6 SATS
Monday 12th June	Year 1 Phonics Check week
Thursday 6th July	Class 3 Production
Wednesday 12th July - Friday 14th July	Class 3 residential trip to Marrick Priory